HOUSE, FARM AND GARDEN

Farm and Stock Notes.

Horses at hard work should have in the middle of the forenoon and afternoon a pail of water in which a handful of oatmeal has been stirred. It has a remarkable stimulating and strengthening effect, and is much better than the water without the

bing the horse with a coarse brush address on the cultivation by Hon. luxury, for there is nothing like it to and then washing with castile soap Marshall P. Wilder before the Mass- make home attractive! It burns up and soft water, drying carefully. As achusetts Horticultural Society. Mr. many a quarrel and morbid speculasoon as thoroughly dried, apply an Wilder is high outhority on the sub- tion, rights many a wrong, and proountment made of four ounces of ject: sulphur, ten ounces of lard, and one-

of wine and apply with a sponge.

highly nitrogenous substance, requires a larger supply of albuminoid food of sheep farming, it will be economy gtaple.

Walde F. Brown recommends to that they should simply pulverize the surface of the land intended for oats instead of breaking it up with a plow Its advantages are a better seed bed, a heavier crop and more land seeded

## Housekeepers' Help.

boiled one half hour. Add two excellence that everybody can grow. You went down that you were the big-quarts of rich milk, stirring con"In regard to culture, the strawgest Fool in America!" Moral: You immediately.

pieces are clear and tender

themselves, and make a brilliant dis play in their season, seen some distance from the dwelling. Some of planting. the white and pink varieties will also grow freely when treated in this way as well as other of the more showy perennials. The meadow lily ( L'canadense,) will hold its own in any grass ground, and when done blooming the plant dees not disfigure the ground. In late summer, Asclepias tuberosa, makes a fine show seen at a distance

LETTUCE. - Cut the lettuce first in It will not do to chop it in a bowl as given when needed." that blackens it. Have a thin salad dressing in a pitcher separate, and a plate of the smallest heart leaves of lettuce at hand. Dish up as called

Baltimore Sun.]

root downwards and top outwards. It is quite ornate, and will keep for several months in bearing. Every child can have a keg, or several can industry and economy, to say nothing of fun and health.

Tomatoes.

To protect tomato and cabbage plants from being cut off by the cut worm, wrap a bit of paper about the stem extending up an inch or so and low enough to be held in its place by whether wrapping or newspaper, will strength restorer. answer the purpose. Where cut if Satan ever laughs, it must be at worms are troublesome this simple hypocrites; they are the greatest dupes who has not the science of houesty and matters. Mantaigne

## STRAWBERRIES.

There is no fruit out of which, while it lasts, more comfort is to be taken be bought at a moderate cost the have eaten it during six months of violent carpets, and vulgar prints lin. the year, beginning at Louisiana in on the walls. Good engravings, a March and eating it all the way up little retonne, some knicknacks made into Canada in August. Hot house by herself, a few grasses, a growing strawberries are too expensive for plant, and an open fire, are all that many to indulge in, but the markets, are needed to make a room pleasant in the season, are so well supplied that and refined. What a pity it is that every one can have his share. We in a country covered with wood a Mange itch may be cured by scrub- make the following extracts from an wood fire should be an expensive

half ounce of carbolic acid, well capricious plants. A variety may do ering round it as evening falls. No Hardening of the skin frequently another not far distant may be a which go up with the sparkes No results from pressure of the harness perfect tailure. There are some va companion is so lively and invigoraand from cutting the integuments and rieties which, like the Baldwin Apple ting to the invalid, the recluse, the subcellar tissues with the calks of and Concord Grape, are adapted to a mourner, or the aged, as a wood fire. the shoes. Make a mixture of one wide extent of territory. Such is re- It is the most heathful of all venti ounce of acetic acid, one ounce of commended by the American Pomo- lators, the most picturesque of pictpulverized cantharides and five ounces logical Society for thirty-five States ures, the most enlivening suggestion of water. After allowing the mix- and Teritories, while no other is re- of energy and thrift. And yet comture to stand two weeks, filter it commended for more than twenty-five. paritively few homes posess this rare through linen, add one ounce spirits We must, therefore, study the charaction. In the cities, however, acter of soils, locations, and climates, we can make cannel coal take the The sheep is a close grazer, and and select such varieties as are best place of wood in a measure, and still even prefers short pasturage. It is adapted to them. The acclimation rejoice in our open fire. scrupulously clean, though not very of tender or half-hardy plants is a select in the choice of the herbage fallacy; and we must rely on the fiton which it feeds. Wool, being a ness of things to the condition in which about a week later than the Early

for sheep than other ruminants de-mand. Wool being the chief profit and great progress has been made in fine grain, and when well cooked, of the production of new and fine kinds, a lightness and porosity almost apto feed oats or oilcake pretty freely but there is still room for improve- proaching a snowflake. Its mealito secure a liberal growth of this ment. We know no reason why we ness, pure delicate flavor and the may not produce varieties of straw- evenness with which it cooks through berries of the finest quality, and such have never been excelled by any pothe readers of the Rural New Yorker at are adapted to every section tato, that they should simply pulverize the them we should select as breeders those which posess the characteristics which we wish to obtain. To make sure of a perfect cross, pistillate kind in the same time. All that is needed is to get three inches of the surfor example, the Crescent—which,
well to search for the treasure. He should be chosen and impregnated though of second quality, posesses ex-traordinary hardness and productive-nose, run an old fork into his foot, and Tomato Sour.—Twelve tomatoes, pared and cut fine, boiled one hour, or two quarts of canned tomatoes boiled one hour, and other high flavored what is wanted is varieties of boiled one helf hour. Add two excellence that everybody can grow. ness, with good form and color-with shivered around for six long hours be-

stantly, one pint of oyster crackers, berry is a gross feeder, and without a can get more Truth than you want rolled, butter size of an egg. Serve well prepared soil and abundant suparound any well-curb. ply of proper food, and at the proper Delicate Apple Sauce.—Pare, time, no great success can be anticibalve and quarter a sufficient quanti-pated. We should plant on land was speedily interviewed by a Shark. ty of nice stewing apples; put them into a baking dish and cover thickly occupied with strawberries, and man- a man who is down!" "My friend," with sugar—bits of lemon peel may be added, if liked. Put a plate over the dish and set it into a pan having a little hot water in the bottom, and place in a hot oven. Bake until the place in a hot oven. Bake until the spring, being very careful not to disturb the roots. Well rotted to disturb the roots. Well rotted to disturb the roots. stable manure is good; ashes-or a substitute, muriate of potash—and Peasant and bitterly complained of the FLOWERS IN GRASS.—A cheap way to obtain flowers for landscape effect bone are excellent fertilizers, and these are the better if composted with in Fox-proof pens. "It isn't because I is by placing groups of red peonies in the grass. They grow, take care of these are the better if composted with in Fox-proof pens. "It isn't because I soil or manure, and allowed to heat suffer at all," added Reynard, "but think before using. In this climate the how uncomfortable it must be for the spring is the best time for general poor Fowls. It is their condition I wish

in planting, we have often to contend Fowls. Next morning he came across with the heat and drought of summer the Fox just as he had finished feasting which is the most formidable of all on a fat Pullet and cried out: "Ah! this difficulties. No plant is more benefited by a constant supply of water in Reynard, "I feel very sorry for the the fruiting season than the straw- Reynard. I feel very sorry for the berry, and I repeat my former advice, ford to miss an opportunity." Moral: give the strawberry water! water! The man with ten acres of land to sell water! and still a little more! If I is the chap who first sees the need of were to grow it on a large scale for an orphan asylum. market, I would provide the means shreds and then across, quite small. of irrigation, so that water might be

## Barbed Wire Fences.

for, the lettuce in the dish, dressing is becoming, in certain quarters, the lated kite in causing a team to run away poured all over it and two or three fencing material for farms and rail- and distribute the inmates of the vehileaves set in for garnish. One of the things that helps to lower the estimation people have of hotel tables bility case of shipment of the mater. is the way they have in some houses, bility, ease of shipment of the mater on getting up suddenly from a chair, where they take an interest in nothing ial, and indestructibility by ordinary finds a plate of flour paste adhering to but calm stagnation, of making let- fires, like those arising from sparks of his person, that is one of the symptoms.

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## A Pretty Home.

Now that so many pretty things can than the strawberry. Nine out of ten poorest woman can save a room from into.-Beecher. person relish it and to those who do being meagre in its appointments. it never clovs upon the taste. We She can avoid horse hair sofas and an invalid as healthy weather.-Frankmotes peace. No picture is so utter-"The strawberry is one of the most ly cheerful as that of the family gathwell in a certain locality, and in a conversations are so fresh as those

THE Early Snowflake potato ripens Rose. In shape it is symmetrical and "The strawberry has assumed great uniform, medium size, skin white

## Some New Fables.

Detroit Free Press.]

THE TRUTH IN A WELL. A Peasant who had often heard that

THE SAILOR AND THE SHARK.

A Fox one day made a call upon a to mitigate." The Peasant took the matter under advisement, and next But when every care has been taken evening he neglected to shut up his "Well, you see," grinned

## Kite Time.

Exchange.] The boys have just got through break-ing windows with their tops, and now comes kite time. Nothing has ever been Steel wire in some of its many forms invented that is superior to a well-regubut calm stagnation, of making lettuce salads hours before they are wanted and dishing them black-looking withered and warm.

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Some have advocated dull points as the wire special but the species of the barb to who flies kites, like the Legisla-An Easy Way to Eaise Strawberries. humane, but the success of the barb tor who tarries long at the wine cup, has

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good nature.-Montaigne.

## WISE SAYINGS.

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